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"(3) Nothing in this subsection shall diminish or otherwise affect the requirement in subsection (a)(1) that funds made available for this section shall be used to supplement and not to supplant the 1986 level of literacy services provided under part A/'.

SEC. 602. TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR IMPROVEMENT OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS.

Section 123 (42 U.S.C. 4993) is amended—

(1) by adding "(a)" after the section designation; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(b)(1) The Director shall provide assistance for identification, development, and dissemination of effective literacy materials and programs by grant or contract to public and private nonprofit organizations whose principal purpose is combatting of illiteracy and its associated problems.

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"(2) The Director shall consult with and annually submit summaries of exemplary projects based on project reports to the national clearinghouse on literacy education, as designated under section 372(d)(2) of the Adult Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1211a(d)(2)).

"(3) The emphasis for the grants or contracts under paragraph (1) shall be—

"(A) broadly disseminating information relating to training and technical assistance for the use of volunteers in projects or programs providing literacy services in poor urban and rural areas, including English language literacy services for individuals with limited English proficiency; or

"(B) developing new and innovative solutions to illiteracy problems that involve the more effective and extensive use of volunteers in such projects or programs/'.

SEC. 603. SPECIAL INITIATIVES.

Section 124 (42 U.S.C. 4994) is amended

by add ing at the end the foll owi ng ne w sub sect ion: "(c) The Dir ector may provide technical assistance, by grant or contract, to employers who have established or desire to establish worksite literacy programs to assist such employers in obtaining, training, and integrating volunteers into worksite literacy programs. The Director shall coordinate any activities assisted under this subsection with the Department of Education Workplace Literacy programs established under part C of the Adult Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1201 et seq.).".

TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 701. ASSIGNMENT **OF VOLUNTEERS TO HEALTH CARE PROBLEMS.**

Section 103(a) (42 U.S.C. 4953(a)) is amended—

(3) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (4);

(4) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (6); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph:

"(5) in addressing significant health care problems, including chronic and life-threatening illnesses and health care for homeless individuals (especially homeless children) through prevention, treatment, and community-based care activities; and*'.